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PRESIDENT JOSEPH E. GIBSON

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**In Memory of
SAM J. SIBLEY
Died July 31, 1947**

Mr. Sibley came to the College shortly after receiving his discharge from the U.S. Army at the close of World War I. He served as Purchasing Agent and Business Manager for twenty-seven years and two months. He gave full measure of love and devotion to the institution, which became more and more an integral part of his life. He contributed much to its growth and development for more than a quarter of a century.

His kindness, his generosity, his love and consideration for his co-workers and his fellowman endeared him to the hearts of all.

To the thousands who knew and loved him, and especially to the members of his family, the "Alumni Columns" extend heartfelt sympathy.

HE WAS OUR FRIEND

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Message from President Gibson

To the Alumni of Northwestern
State College of Louisiana:

In this the first issue of the *Alumni Columns* since I became President on July first, I send you greetings from this old campus. It has been to me a source of gratification and pride to learn that so many school leaders and other leaders in Louisiana are alumni of this college. Surely the State's investment in higher education here has yielded returns through the years that are many-fold in quantity and quality. In fact, it is impossible to conceive of Louisiana education without the rich contributions that have been made by our thousands of graduates.

Many of you have been cordial in your expressions of welcome to me as I have undertaken the duties of this office. What you have said has been heartening, and has helped me see how important is the place of leadership entrusted to me.

In a future issue of the *Alumni Columns*, I should like to have something to say about the future of our College. It goes without saying now that I shall bend all my efforts toward shaping that future in line with this institution's finest traditions so that always you will be proud of your Alma Mater.

Come to see us on November 15, Home-Coming Day, and as often as you can thereafter. A cordial and enthusiastic welcome awaits you.

A sincere welcome from all of us on the campus to all of you.

JOSEPH E. GIBSON
President

Mr. Joseph E. Gibson, Ninth President of the College

Mr. Joseph E. Gibson assumed the duties as President of Northwestern State College on July 1. A native of West Point, Miss., he comes to the College with a rich background of training and experience that eminently qualifies him for the duties of the office.

A graduate of University of Mississippi and Columbia University, Mr. Gibson is thoroughly familiar with schools and colleges in Louisiana. He began his career in Louisiana at Tulane University. In 1941 he was granted leave of absence from Tulane to become Director of Higher Education for the

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State of Louisiana under the State Board of Education. He returned to Tulane in 1946 as Professor of Education and Director of the Summer School, a position which he held at the time of his election by the State Board of Education to the presidency of Northwestern State.

President Gibson directed the survey of the colleges and universities of Mississippi recently. As a result of this survey and its recommendations, many changes were made in these institutions of higher learning.

Mr. Gibson is greatly interested in the alumni of the College and in the Alumni Association. He is eager to get acquainted with alumni and former students and to serve them in any way possible.

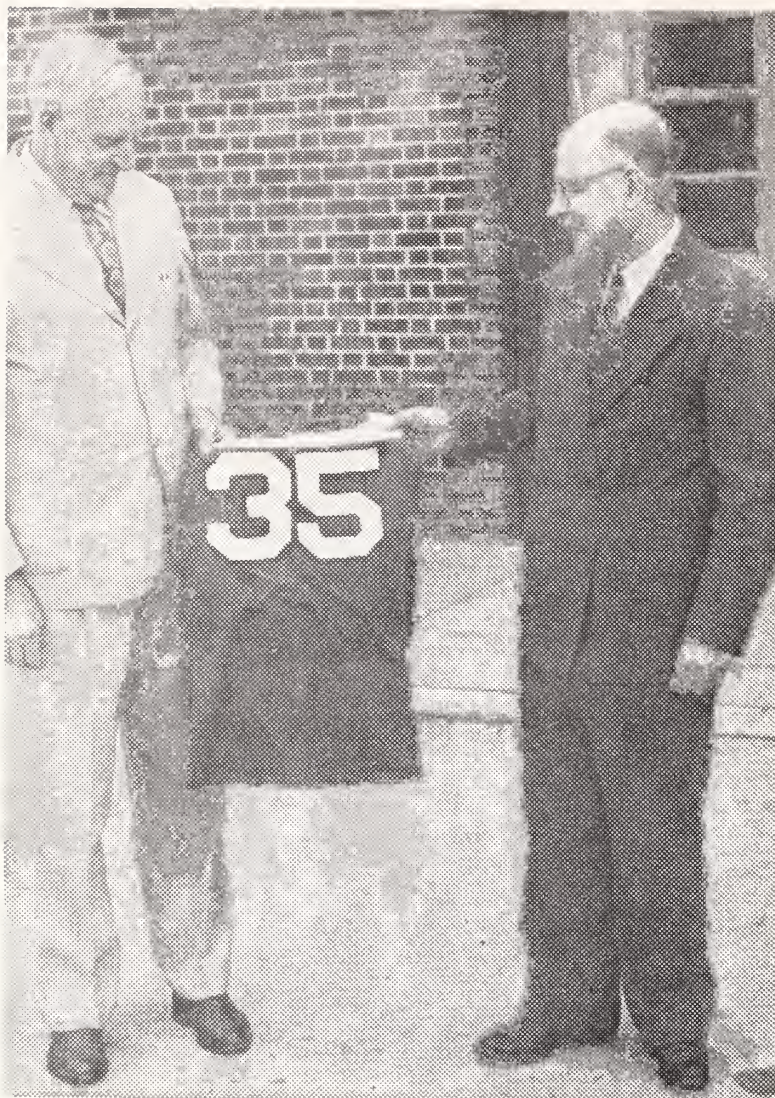
In the short time that he has been president, he has demonstrated that he is capable, energetic, aggressive, and thoroughly interested in the welfare of the College. He has proved to be affable, genial, and considerate of both faculty and students. We heartily welcome him and extend every wish for a happy and successful administration.

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LEROY S. MILLER, Editor

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FOURNET AND PRATHER IN THIRTY-FIFTH YEAR

Pictured above are Francis Gary Fournet (right), Head of the Department of Science and Professor of Physics, and H. Lee Prather (left), Dean of Men, Director of Athletics, Professor of Government, and Head Basketball Coach, who will have given to this institution at the end of this school year, thirty-five years of service. Mr. Fournet claims the distinction of having served one summer longer than Mr. Prather, since he became a member of the faculty in the summer of 1913 and Mr. Prather arrived at the beginning of the fall term of 1913.

Do not let the thirty-five years mislead you into believing that either Mr. Fournet or Mr. Prather is an OLD man. On the contrary, Mr. Fournet will quickly tell you that he is one of the youngest men on the faculty, and then, with a twinkle in his eye, a sly grin on his face, and a wrinkle of his nose, will say: "I am only seventeen." Coach Prather feels he is just a little older, perhaps nineteen or twenty.

When Coach Prather began his first

year here, he had 15 men out for football, and 8 of these were from the "Normal High School," eligible to play at that time. He won his first game, against Monroe, 114-0.

Mr. Prather coached all sports and taught regular classes in mathematics, economics, political science, and hygiene and sanitation. His total budget for all athletics amounted to \$500.00 per year.

As he assumed additional duties, Coach Prather gave up all his coaching activities with the exception of basketball. He has the distinction of having served as coach of basketball continuously at the same institution for a greater length of time than, perhaps, any other coach in the nation. He has established an enviable record in his favorite sport, basketball, in that he has won a greater percentage of games than any other team in the L.I.A.A. or L.I.C.

His plans for the next season and the future do not indicate that he is expecting to relinquish his position of leadership in the basketball world, but rather

that he expects to add more laurels and a greater distinction to the enviable record Prather-coached teams have achieved.

Mr. Fournet taught mathematics and physics in his earlier days on the campus. When the institution became a four-year college offering the bachelor's degree, he took on the duty of serving as registrar in addition to teaching physics. He served as registrar for a period of six years, being relieved of this duty in 1925.

In 1935, the departments of chemistry, biology, and physics were combined into the department of science, and Mr. Fournet was made head of the department. He is still serving in that capacity.

Professors Fournet and Prather have served under five of the nine presidents of the College, namely, V. L. Roy, W. W. Tison, A. A. Fredericks, Joe Farrar, and Joseph E. Gibson. They have participated in the growth and development of the College since the days when only two years of work in teacher training was offered and the institution was called the Louisiana State Normal School, to the present time, when the College is meeting the demands of students in the Schools of Applied Arts and Sciences, Arts and Sciences, and Education.

Their families have been reared in Natchitoches, and all their children have attended or are attending school here.

They are a grand pair. We salute them and extend every wish to both for many years of future service to the institution to which they have already given thirty-five years.

Recent Additions To Faculty

Miss Sara Alderman of Wartrace, Tenn., has been appointed Assistant Professor of Journalism effective September 9. She received her A.B. degree from George Peabody College, and her M.S. degree from Columbia University. Before coming to the College Miss Alderman served as staff writer for W. R. Grace and Co., New York, N. Y. She is a member of Pi Gamma Mu, Kappa Delta Pi, A.A.U.W., and Press Club.

Miss Quintilla Anders, B.S., Southwestern Louisiana Institute, Ph.M., University of Wisconsin, was employed as Assistant Professor of Speech and Speech Correction at the beginning of the fall semester. She is a member of Pi Kappa Delta, Kappa Delta Pi, Pi Gamma Mu, Speech Association of America, American Speech Correction Association, and A.A.U.W.; she is listed in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, 1944. Miss Anders came to Natchitoches from University of Kansas School of Medicine, where she served as Director of the Speech Clinic. Her home town is Lafayette, La.

Miss Irene Suzanne Bibba of Du-

qucsne, Penn., Assistant Professor of Home Economics, received her appointment effective September 9. She received her B.S. degree at Carnegie Institute of Technology and her M.S. degree from Alabama Polytechnic Institute. She is a member of the Pennsylvania State Education Association and A.A.U.W. Prior to coming to the College she served as vocational teacher of home economics in her home state.

Miss Carolyn Elizabeth Bock was appointed Associate Professor of Languages and Literature this fall. She received the B.S. degree from Tennessee State College, M.A. degree from Vanderbilt University, and Ph.D. degree from University of Michigan. She holds membership in Tau Omicron, Nashville Classical Club, Tennessee Philological Association, Pi Lambda Theta, Women's Research Club, Classical Association of Midwest and South, and the American Classical League. The home town of Miss Bock is Murfreesboro, Tenn., and she was Assistant Professor of Languages and Literature at Murray State College of Kentucky prior to coming here.

Miss Eleanor Brown of Natchitoches was appointed Instructor of Piano this summer. She received her B.S. degree from Northwestern State College and her M.Mus. degree from Louisiana State University. She has done additional work at Cincinnati Conservatory of Music. She is a member of Louisiana Music Educators Association, National Music Educators Association, and National Guild of Piano Teachers. Miss Brown taught in the high schools of Louisiana and assisted in the Department of Music here at the College during previous summer sessions.

Mr. Earl C. Coulon of Westwego was appointed Director of the News Bureau in August. He received his A.B. degree and his M.A. degree from Tulane University. He served as Director of Journalism in Jefferson Parish Schools prior to 1942, at which time he entered military service. He was engaged in private business after the war before accepting the appointment here at the College.

Miss Lore Rose David was appointed Associate Professor of Science, effective September 9. She received her Ph.D. degree from University of Berlin. She did graduate work at University of Leipzig and University of Munich and later engaged in research at University of Paris and Sorbonne University. Before coming to the College, Miss David served as Paleontologist for the Richfield Oil Corporation of California, was Research Associate of California Institute of Technology (Geology Department), and was formerly Curator and Research Associate, Musee du Congo Belge, Terveuren, Belgium. She is a member of American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists; Fellow, Geological Society of America; Society Vertebrate Paleontologists; Society Economic Mineralogists and Paleontologists; and A.A.U.W.

Mr. Eltor B. Doering of Tripp, S.D.,

received his B.A. degree at University of Iowa and his M.A. degree from Harvard and has done additional graduate work at Yale and Columbia. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Modern Language Association. Before coming to the College in September as Associate Professor of English, Mr. Doering had been associated with University of Kansas, Northwestern University, University of Richmond, University of Illinois, Michigan State College, and Florence State Teachers College.

Mr. Kenneth I. Durr of Marthaville was appointed Assistant Professor of Accounting in September. He received his B.S. degree from Northwestern State College and his M.A. degree from George Peabody College. Mr. Durr is a member of Pi Omega Pi, Kappa Delta Pi, National Education Association, and United Business Education Association. He served as teacher in the high schools of the state prior to accepting his appointment on the College faculty.

Miss Janell Farris of Cave City, Kentucky, received her B.A. degree from Bowling Green Business University and her M.A. degree from George Peabody College. She is a member of Pi Omega Pi. She has had experience as high school and business college teacher and came to the College as Assistant Professor of Business from Delta State Teachers College.

Mr. Jonas Wenger Hoover came to the College at the beginning of the fall semester as Assistant Professor of Geography. He received the A.B. degree at Oberlin College, the M.A. degree at University of Chicago, and has done graduate work at Columbia, University of California, and University of Southern California. Mr. Hoover is a member of Association of Pacific Coast Geographers, National Council of Geography Teachers, Association of American Geographers, American Association for the Advancement of Science, and American Geographical Society. He served at State Teachers College, Tempe, Arizona; with Military Intelligence, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C.; and at Nebraska Wesleyan University prior to his acceptance of a position here at the College. His home is Phoenix, Arizona.

Miss Virginia Nellie Kinloch of Springfield, Missouri, has been appointed Counselor for Freshman Women and Instructor of Orientation. She received her A.B. degree at Drury College and the M.A. degree at Syracuse University. Before coming to the College, Miss Kinloch was Dean of Residence, Salem Academy, Winston Salem, N. Car.

Mr. Gerald S. Manning was appointed Counselor for the Personnel Division during the summer. He received the A.B. degree at Northwestern State College and the M. A. degree at Louisiana State University. Before accepting the appointment here at the College, Mr. Manning was principal of the Calhoun High School.

Miss Mary Alice Peairs of Des Moines, Iowa, is Instructor of Library Science and in charge of circulation. She re-

ceived her B.E. degree at National College of Education and her B.S.L.S. degree at George Peabody College. She also did work at Les Fougères, Lausanne, Switzerland. Miss Peairs is a member of American Library Association, National Education Association, and Arkansas Education Association. She has served as Librarian at Central College, Pella, Iowa; Jefferson City Junior College, Missouri; Des Moines Public Library; and Hot Springs Junior High School.

Miss Betty Powell of Pleasant Hill was appointed Instructor of Home Economics at the beginning of the fall semester. She received her B.S. degree at Northwestern State College and completed her work as Registered Dictation at Michael Reese Hospital, Chicago. This is her first year in the teaching profession.

Miss Yvonne Phillips of Hot Springs, Ark., was appointed Instructor of Social Sciences at the beginning of the fall semester. Miss Phillips received her B.A. degree at Northwestern State College this spring and is teaching her first year.

Mr. Quentin D. Scarborough of Oakwood, Texas, was appointed Assistant Professor of Accounting, effective September 9. Mr. Scarborough received the B.B.A. degree from University of Texas and has done other graduate work at the same school. Prior to his appointment here at the College, he served as special employee of F.B.I. and later as Office Manager, Veterans Housing, University of Texas.

Miss Maude Sorenson, B.S., Iowa State College, M.A., Arizona State Teachers College, has been appointed Assistant Professor of Mathematics beginning the fall semester. She has served as teacher in high schools of Idaho, Wyoming, Arizona, and Arkansas. She is a native of Whiting, Iowa, and is a member of National Education Association and Arkansas Education Association.

Miss LaFaye Stinchcombe of Dallas, Texas, was appointed Assistant Professor of English at the beginning of the fall semester. She received the B.A. degree at McMurry College and the M.A. degree at Southern Methodist University. Miss Stinchcombe is a member of A.A.U.W., National Association of Group Workers, and National Association of Girl Scout Executives. She served as Executive Director, Girl Scouts, and as Head of Language Department, Texas Military College, Terrell, Texas, before joining the staff of the Language Department here at the College.

Mr. Jack G. Warner of Natchitoches was appointed Instructor in Aviation this summer. He received his B.S. degree from Northwestern State College and has completed the approved training in the CAA and WTS. He has served as Flight Instructor, Southwest Aircraft Co., and Aircraft Mechanic at Natchitoches Airport.

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Alumni - Here and There

HORACE A. HAYS GOES TO CENTENARY COLLEGE

Horace A. Hays, B.S. '36, formerly chief of the guidance center at McNeese Junior College, Lake Charles, has been appointed Assistant Professor of Biology at Centenary College beginning the fall semester, according to an announcement by Deau Ernest H. Cherrington, Jr., of Centenary.

Professor Hays will replace Professor Paul W. Graff, who resigned just recently.

Hays received his Master's Degree in Zoology at Louisiana State University. He served as assistant principal and principal in the high schools of Natchitoches Parish until he entered the Army Air Forces during the war. After his discharge from the Air Corps, he accepted the position at McNeese Junior College, where he served until his appointment at Centenary.

CARROLL KILLEN JOINS SPRAGUE FIELD STAFF

Carroll G. Killen, B. S. '38, has been appointed to the field engineering staff of the Sprague Electric Company, North Adams, Mass., according to a recent announcement by Robert S. Sprague, president. The announcement was carried in RADIO AND TELEVISION WEEKLY MAGAZINE, September 3.

The article stated further that "Mr. Killen, who is well known in the capacitor industry, was formerly associated with the Army Air Forces Watson Laboratories, Red Bank, N. J., where he had charge of all components and materials as well as laboratory testing of completed equipment for radio, radar, and other electronic units. Prior connections include work with the Signal Corps at Fort Hancock, with the Camp Evans Signal Laboratory at Belmar, N. J., where he was engineer in charge of radar components, and with the Geophysical Department of Magnolia Petroleum Company of Dallas.

"During World War II, he also served as lieutenant in the Army Air Forces and saw duty in the Asiatic-Pacific theatre. A native of Louisiana, Mr. Killen attended both Northwestern State College and Louisiana State University. He will make his headquarters at the Sprague general offices in North Adams."

JACK CLAYTON GOES TO BOWLING GREEN

Jack Clayton, A. B. '36, has accepted a position as Assistant Professor of Physical Education and assistant football coach at Western Kentucky State Teachers College at Bowling Green.

Clayton was a four-letter man in the College and coached at high schools in

the state before entering service, where he was an officer in the Coast Guard for four years.

Prior to going to Bowling Green, he was coach at Bossier City and later head coach of basketball at Centenary. He received his Master's Degree in physical education at Louisiana State University last summer.

ROSS DI MAGGIO WRITES LAMBDA ZETA SWEETHEART SONG

Amid the rush of writing musical scores for such outstanding motion pictures as *Cover Girl* and *The Jolson Story*, Ross Di Maggio, '29, takes time out in his Hollywood studio to compose a sweetheart song for his old fraternity, the Lambda Zeta.

While he was visiting his family and friends in Natchitoches during the Christmas holidays, the Lambda Zetas contacted Ross and requested that he write them a new song. This he very graciously consented to do, and recently sent them a copy of his new song entitled "My Fraternity Has a Sweetheart." Not only did he write the new song, but he arranged for its Hollywood premiere after he completed the orchestral arrangement.

Di Maggio is associated with Columbia Pictures Corporation in Hollywood, where he writes, arranges, and produces musical scores for pictures such as those mentioned above, as well as the background music for such pictures as *Humoresque*, in which John Garfield played the part of the violinist. Ross showed a decided musical talent early in life, and his performances with musical organizations while a student on the campus earned much well-deserved praise. He has been associated with Columbia Pictures Corporation for seven years.

DR. DONALDSON PRACTICING DENTISTRY AT LECOMPTE

Kervin V. Donaldson, B. S. '37, is now practicing dentistry in Lecompte. Dr. Donaldson was assistant principal and coach at Dry Prong High School for four years immediately after graduation from the College. He received his Doctor's Degree in Dentistry at Loyola University in 1944. He served in the United States Army for two years and was discharged with a Captain's rating. He then moved to Lecompte to follow his chosen profession.

O. M. GATES ACCOUNTANT IN ALEXANDRIA

O. M. Gates, B. S. '38, is head of the accounting department of the T. J. Bettes Company, Alexandria. Mrs. Gates, the former Vera Abington, is teaching sixth grade in the Dry Prong High School. Incidentally, their son, Gary, entered the first grade this fall.



GRACE MAGGIO BECOMES SISTER ANN CARMEL

Pictured above is Sister Ann Carmel of Our Lady of The Lake Convent, San Antonio, Texas. She is the former Grace Maggio, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Maggio of Natchitoches. She was a student on the campus 1943-1947, receiving her degree at the end of the spring semester.

DR. CLOUD DENTIST AT COUSHATTA

Lieutenant Sun Ray Cloud, '41, Dental Officer, USNR, received his discharge from the Navy in September. He received his Doctor of Dental Surgery degree at Loyola in 1945 and is establishing his office for the practice of dentistry in Coushatta. Dr. Cloud was with the Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd expedition to Antarctica last year. He did research work to determine the effect on the teeth of drastic changes in climatic conditions.

THREE STUDENTS JOIN CLIFF SELF PLAYERS FOR SUMMER

Roger Sherman of Haynesville, B. G. Feazell of Dodson, and Ben Russell Short of Natchitoches joined the Cliff Self Players at Bridgeport, N. Y., this summer to study dramatics and do production work. Self, director of the Cliff Self Players and a former Broadway star and producer, accepts a limited number of outstanding students in dramatics each year for work in his summer theater group. These students have returned to the campus for the fall semester and will assist in the productions of the Davis Players.

Cupid's Doings

Miss Iola Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jackson of Coushatta, and Mr. Henry Lemoine, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Lemoine of Clarence, were married in Bossier City on February 16. They will be at home on the groom's plantation near Clarence.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen J. Westbrook of Many have announced the marriage of their daughter, Maxine, to Mr. Sam L. Wells, son of the late Sam L. Wells and Mrs. Mildred L. Wells of Colfax, at the First Baptist Church in Many, June 22. The bride was a former teacher of home economics in the Colfax High School.

The marriage of Miss Marjorie Henry Montegut, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Oswald Montegut of LaPlace, and Captain A. Buford Sutton of the United States Marine Air Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cockerham Sutton of Natchitoches, was celebrated in St. Peter's Church at Reserve on June 30. The bride, a graduate of the College and of Northwestern University, was employed in radio work at WBBM, Chicago, and WDSU, New Orleans. The groom, a former student, is stationed at New Orleans, where the young couple will make their home.

Miss Lurline Ponder of Midland, Texas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Ponder of Pleasant Hill, was married to Bill Edwards, also of Midland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harvey of Lubbock, Texas, on April 10 at the First Baptist Church. The young couple will be at home at 1000 West Dakota Avenue, Midland, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Crawford of Gloster have announced the marriage of their daughter, Mary Dena, to Maxey Gregg Howe, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Howe of Stonewall, on May 30, at the Baptist Church of Gloster. The bride received her degree just prior to the wedding while the groom was a student at the College also.

Miss Annie Marie Sudduth of Shreveport, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Sudduth of Saline, and David Vernon Middleton, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Middleton of Shreveport, were married on September 5 at Highland Baptist Church with the Rev. R. O. Cawker officiating. They will make their home at 310 Jordan Street, Shreveport, where the groom is a student at Centenary.

Miss Doris Robinson, daughter of Mr. J. B. Robinson of Danville, and Paul M. Lucky, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lucky of Jonesboro, were married at the home of the bride's father on September 6. Mrs. Lucky is a former teacher of physical education at Jonesboro-Hodge High School. They will reside in Dallas, Texas, where Mr. Lucky is employed.

Miss Edna Camile Ford, daughter of

Mrs. J. S. Ford of Natchitoches, and Theodore V. Falk, son of Mrs. Amelia Falk of Chicago, were married on June 29 at First Baptist Church of Natchitoches, the Rev. Troy V. Wheeler officiating. The bride, a graduate of the College, was employed at Barksdale Field. They will make their home in Chicago, where the groom is employed as an architect.



Pictured above are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Newton Burgess, who were married on September 14 at the First Baptist Church in Oakdale. The bride is the former Alice Collier, A.B. '44, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Collier of Oakdale, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Burgess, also of Oakdale. Mr. Burgess is a graduate of Southwestern Louisiana Institute and is employed by Stone and Webster Engineering Corporation.

Miss Milner Harris and Mr. Roy Vincent Evans were married on September 3 in Pineville at the home of Dr. R. Houston Smith, pastor of First Baptist Church. Mrs. Evans is the daughter of Mrs. Willie Harris and the late Dayton W. Harris, and has been a primary teacher at South Highlands School, Shreveport, for several years. Mr. Evans, formerly assistant principal of Byrd High School, is now serving as state supervisor of education. They will be at home at 1848½ Glendale, Baton Rouge.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Dowty of Natchitoches have announced the marriage of their daughter, Beverly, to Rudolph Adkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Plinnie Adkins, also of Natchitoches, at the Church

of The Immaculate Conception on August 24.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Taylor of Homer have announced the marriage of their daughter, Doris Lee, to Mr. L. W. Snider, son of Mrs. Walter Snider of McKinney, Texas, at the Ingleside Baptist Church in Shreveport, on June 22. The bride, a '46 graduate, taught in Lake Charles last year. The groom is a naval aviator, flying with the Naval Air Transport Service in the North Atlantic and Carolina area. They will be at home at Patuxent River, Maryland, where Mr. Snider is stationed.

Miss Audrey Ruth Adcock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Adcock of Coushatta, and Mr. James G. Bailey, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bailey of Monroe, were married in the First Baptist Church of Monroe on June 1. The young couple, both graduates of the College, are living in Baton Rouge, where the groom is working on his Master's Degree in the School of Music, Louisiana State University.

Miss Virginia Catherine Toms, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sample Toms of Ashland, and Leland Louis Rhodes, son of Mrs. Sam Rhodes and the late Mr. Rhodes of Saline, were married on June 11. The young couple will make their home in Saline.

Miss Gervis Malone, daughter of W. L. and Mrs. Minnie Malone of Homer, and Mr. John Raymond Weber, son of Mrs. George Cowling and the late J. R. Weber of Jeffersonville, Indiana, were married on June 28 in the old colonial home of the bride's grandparents, the late Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Murrell at Homer, where five generations of the family have lived. The young couple will be at home in Dallas, Texas.

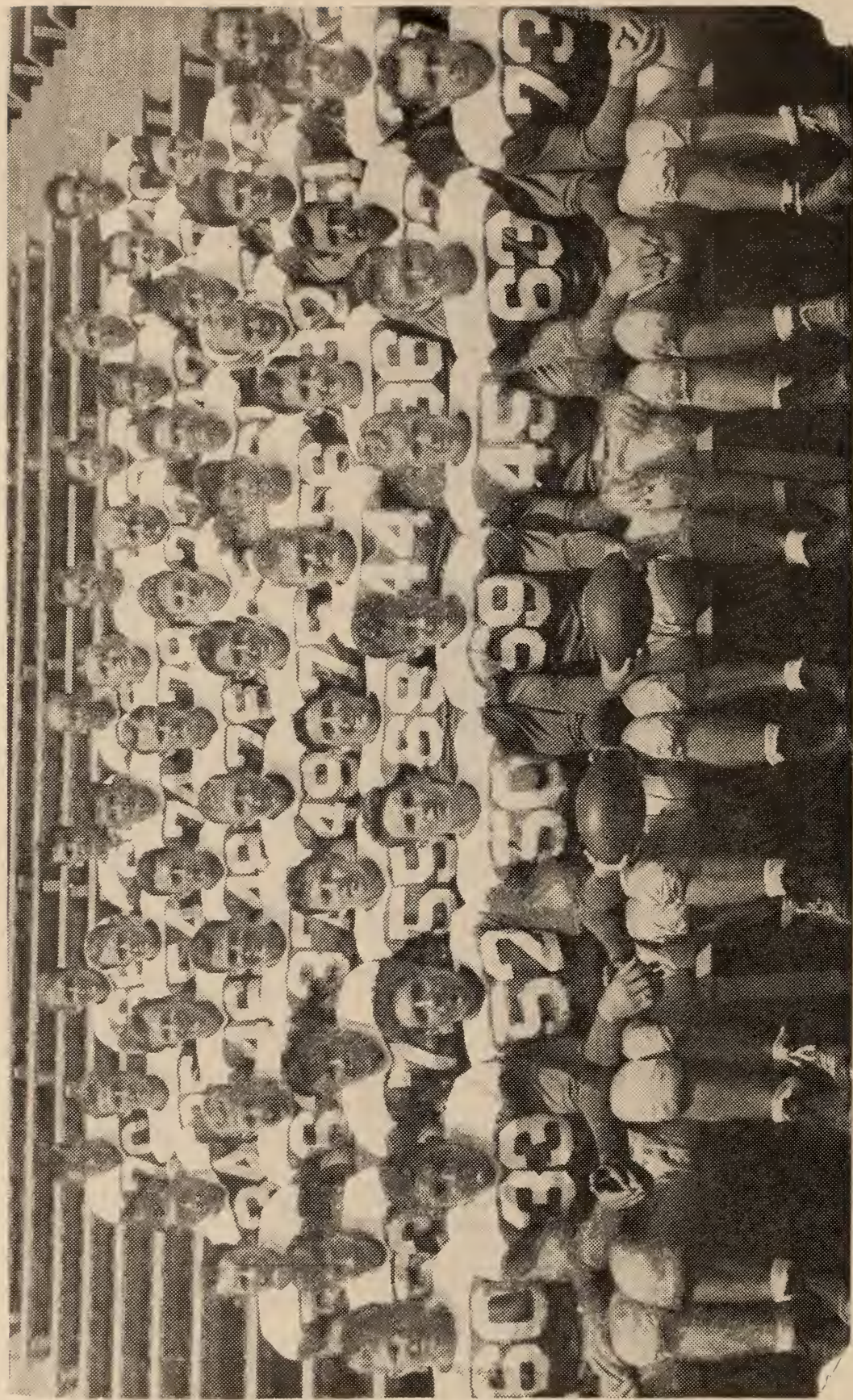
Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Julian Hubley of Many have announced the marriage of their daughter, Winfred Alice, to Burney Duke, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Duke of Natchitoches, on August 23, at St. John's Catholic Church in Many. The bride, a member of Theta Sigma Upsilon at the College, is now librarian at Bernice, while her husband is pursuing his studies at Louisiana Polytechnic Institute.

Miss Sybil Self, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Self of Oil City, and Mr. Calvin Ray Twitchell of Mooringsport were married at the First Baptist Church in Oil City on August 23. The bride, a recent graduate of the College, taught in Lake Charles last year.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Day Lee of Leton have announced the marriage of their daughter, Frances Elizabeth, to D. C. Franklin, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Dawson C. Franklin, Sr., of Pineville, on June 7 at the First Methodist Church in

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NORTHWESTERN STATE COLLEGE 1947 DEMON FOOTBALL SQUAD



Left to right, 1st row: Jack Huckaby, Tackle, Ringgold; Jimmie Cronwell, Quarterback, Shreveport; Gabriel Barkate, Guard, Sulphur; L. W. Sibbey, Guard, Natchitoches; Arthur Lancaster, Halfback, Ferriday; John Thompson, Halfback, Waterproof; Robert Williamson, End, Tallulah; and Johnny Robertson, End, Bossier City.

2nd row: Don Purser, Halfback, Opelousas; Ray Mayo, Tackle, Ofis; Eldon Chachere, Guard, Eunice; Al Nicosia, Quarterback, Winnsboro; Johnny Kenton, Tackle, Winnfield; Bill Lasseter, Tackle, Shreveport; Trent Melder, End, Glenmora; and Q. T. Ford, Halfback, Tioga.

3rd row: Johnny Jackson, Fullback, Winnfield; James White, End, Bastrop; Julius Yellott, Quarterback, DeQuincy; David White, Fullback, Bastrop; Carroll Webb, Tackle, Robeline; Austin Wilson, Fullback, Ferriday; Jerry Montgomery, Center, Shreveport; Reggie Hebert, Guard, Montegut; and Johnny Robertson, End, Bossier City.

4th row: Dusty Rhodes, Fullback, Vivian; Billy Quinn, Halfback, Sarepta; David Coyle, Halfback, Springhill; Melvin Belcher, Halfback, Haynesville; Clyde Ellington, Guard, Minden; William Risher, Tackle, New Orleans; Harold Harlan, Tackle, Jonesboro; and Ernest Howell, End, Jonesboro.

5th row: Bobby Jantz, Halfback, DeRidder; Billy Hudson, End, Cotton Valley; James Lancaster, Center, Ferriday; Herley Tripp, Tackle, Springhill; Leon Dunn, Guard, Shreveport; Pat Landreaux, Center, Shreveport; and Bobby Johnson, Halfback, Shreveport.

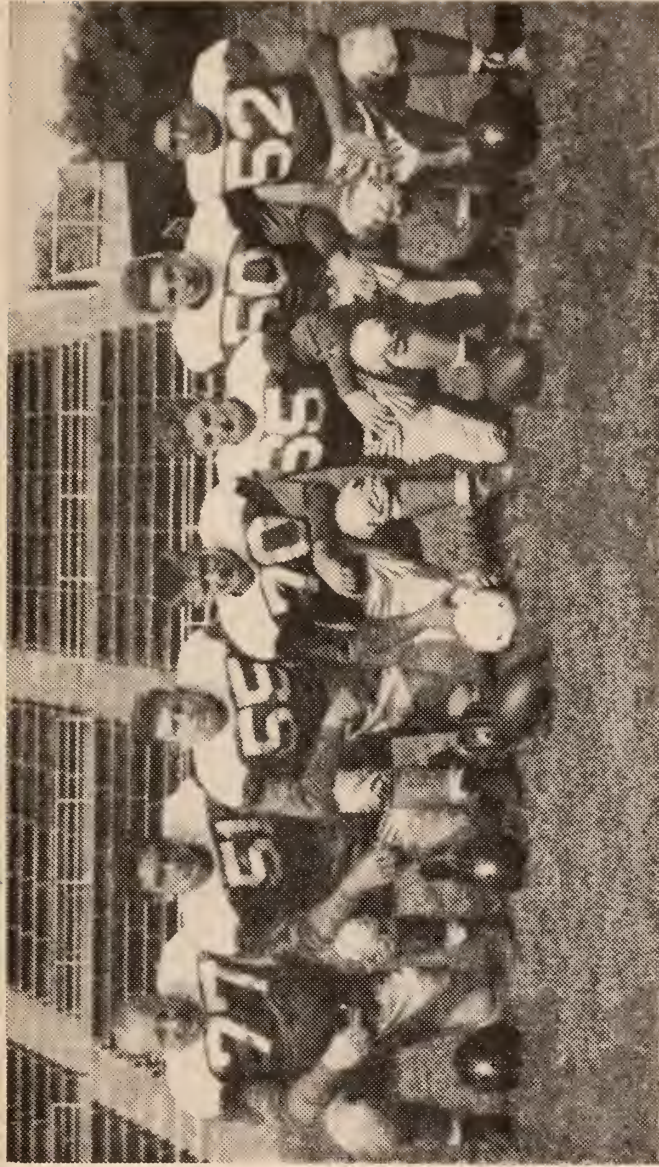
6th row: Phillip White, Guard, Alexandria; Luther Denham, Tackle, Ferriday; Purvis Landry, End, Abbeville; Stan Powell, Halfback, Bogalusa; Sammie Cox, Halfback, Logansport; John Dantoni, Quarterback, Baton Rouge; James Poole, End, Natchitoches; and Denver Loupe, Fullback, Gonzales. Not shown in picture is Ray Maddy, Tackle, Minden.



Denver Loupe, Fullback



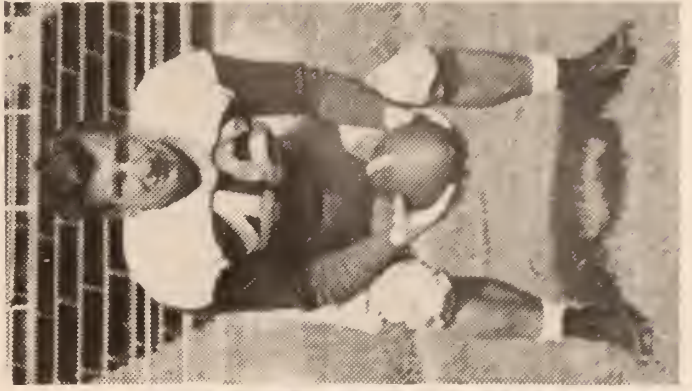
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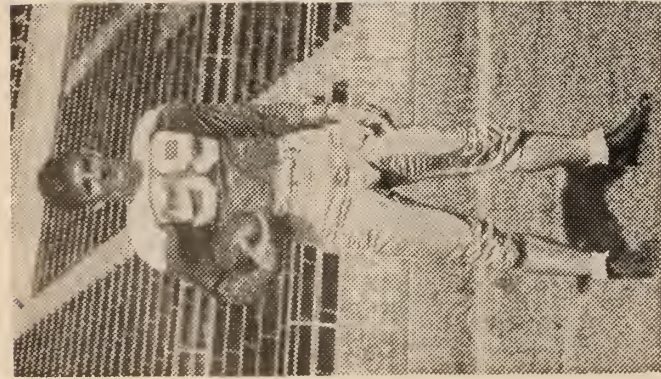
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Billy Quinn, Halfback



Johnny Jackson, Fullback



Arthur Lancaster, Halfback



Bobby Johnson, Halfback



TERMINALS

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Q. T. Ford, Halfback



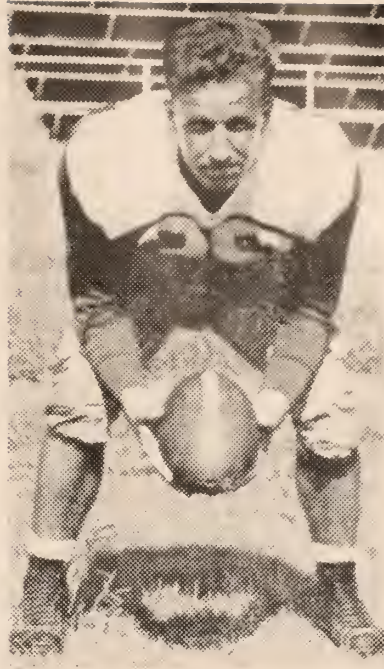
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Austin Wilson, Fullback



Al Nicosia, Quarterback



Bobby Jantz, Halfback



"Dusty" Rhodes, Halfback

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We are publishing in this issue a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association held on August 6, together with a financial statement as shown in the audit of the books on September 17.

The Board met again on October 11 to consider reports of committees appointed at the first meeting. This meeting was devoted largely to a discussion of the report of the committee appointed to bring up to date the old Constitution and By-Laws, as well as suggest possible revisions. When the study has been completed and definite recommendations are ready to be made to the Alumni Association full particulars will be published in the ALUMNI COLUMNS.

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Natchitoches, Louisiana
August 6, 1947

The Board of Directors of the Northwestern State College Alumni Association met on call of the president, Mr. J. W. Webb, on August 6, 1947, in the Green Room, Fine Arts Building, with the following members present:

Mr. J. W. Webb, Mr. Harold Kaffie, Mr. E. S. Aiken, Mr. W. L. Colvin, Mr. J. N. Brown, Mr. L. S. Miller.

Absent: Mr. Ted Wright and Mr. A. J. Maricella.

Also present for the meeting were President Joseph E. Gibson and Mr. I. C. Strickland.

Mr. Webb expressed the appreciation of the Board in having President Gibson meet with us. Mr. Gibson stated that he was greatly interested in the Alumni Association and eager to assist in any way possible with a live, aggressive alumni program.

Mr. Webb proposed the following subjects for discussion:

1. The reactivation and organization of alumni units.
2. The Alumni Columns and the possibility of a monthly news-letter.
3. Bringing Constitution and By-Laws up to date.
4. The policy of seniors voting at elections prior to actually receiving their degrees.

In the discussion of the subject of reactivating and organizing of alumni units, Mr. Webb suggested that as many units as possible should be organized and that a definite program should be outlined stating what the College can do for the alumni and what the alumni can do for the College. Suggestions offered by members were:

1. Alumni Association and units should be non-political.
2. Alumni should be informed of policies set up by president of the College.
3. Work for increase of faculty salaries here and at all state colleges in order to hold good men and women on the faculty and be able to secure the best possible replacements.
4. Acquaint alumni with changes in

curricula and offerings of the College.

5. Acquaint high school seniors with the advantages of attending Northwestern State.
6. Impress seniors of the College with the importance of participating in the alumni program.
7. Inform alumni about, and get their help in securing, desirable legislative programs.
8. Persuade alumni to select outstanding seniors of high school classes to send to Natchitoches.
9. Study the possibilities of raising a memorial fund.

It was moved by Mr. Kaffie, seconded by Mr. Aiken, that:

The President of the College, President of the Alumni, and Alumni Secretary begin immediately to plan for organization of alumni units throughout the state, beginning in Natchitoches, and that plans formulated for this organization of units be submitted to the Board prior to being put into effect. Carried.

The question of the "Alumni Columns" being printed quarterly versus the advisability of a monthly news-letter was discussed. Quarterly publications of many colleges and universities were compared with Alumni Columns. It was brought out that budgetary limitations on printing for the year would practically prohibit any more publications than at present. It was moved by Mr. Colvin, seconded by Mr. Aiken, that:

The matter of publications be postponed until the new publicity man to be employed by the College arrives and that after discussion with him, the president, and the alumni officers, recommendations for changes or amendments, and requested that this committee be ready to report not later than October 1.

President Webb appointed the following committee to bring the Constitution and By-Laws up to date with recommendations for changes or amendments, and requested that this committee be ready to report not later than October 1.

Committee: Mr. Eugene Watson, Chairman; Mr. R. B. Williams, Mr. I. C. Strickland, Mr. L. S. Miller, Mr. S. W. Nelken, and Mr. G. S. Manning.

The following committee was appointed as an Auditing Committee:

Committee: Mr. Harold Kaffie, Chairman; Mr. Raymond Whitehead, and Mr. R. B. Williams.

The secretary was instructed to publish the financial statement of the Association in the Alumni Columns each year in the Home-coming Issue. It was requested that the last financial statement be published in the first issue this fall.

In the discussion of seniors voting in the alumni elections and business session prior to their graduation, it was stated by Mr. Webb that he felt they should not be allowed to vote at the business session in the spring since they were not acquainted with alumni work nor familiar with enough alumni in the field. He stated further that it was possible for a large senior class to control the business and officers of the Alumni Association when they had little knowledge about it or its policies and working plans.

It was agreed by a majority of the members present that, to avoid any confusion or misunderstanding on the part of the seniors, they be officially received into the Association by the retiring president as the last number on the program of the annual spring homecoming.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

Recent Additions to Faculty—

(Continued from Page 3)

Miss Irene E. Waters of Lake Charles was appointed Instructor in Health and Physical Education beginning the fall semester. She received her B.S. degree at Louisiana State University and was formerly Recreation Director for the City of Baton Rouge.

Mr. George Albert Smith, Riverdale, N. J., was appointed Assistant Professor of History effective October 6. He received his B.A. degree and his M.A. degree from State Teachers College, Montclair, N. J., and has done additional graduate work at Rutgers University and Columbia University. He is a member of New Jersey Education Association and National Education Association. He served as Dean of Boys at Pompton Lake High School, New Jersey, prior to coming to the campus.

Cupid's Doings—

(Continued from Page 5)

Alexandria, Dr. Guy Hicks officiating. The bride is a member of Pi Kappa Sigma sorority at the College, and the groom is a graduate of Louisiana College.

Miss Barbara Jean Greene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dee Greene of Alexandria, and John Stewart Tarlton, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Tarlton of Natchitoches, were married on August 15 at the Calvary Baptist Church in Alexandria. The bride, a student at the College, is a member of Pi Kappa Sigma, while the groom, a recent graduate, is a member of Sigma Tau Gamma.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Sexton of Sarepta have announced the marriage of their daughter, Frankie, to Don Bolton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Bolton of Springhill, on April 5. They will make their home in Springhill.

Miss Geraldine Beebe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Beebe of Lena Station, and Gary Harrison Wise, son of Mrs. W. L. Wise and the late Dr. Wise of Galbraith, were married on August 17 at the Wise Memorial Baptist Church. Mrs. Wise was a member of the Sulphur High School faculty last year, and Mr. Wise was a student at the College.

Miss Mildred E. Hollenshead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Hollenshead of Homer, became the bride of Norvin Lewis Wagner, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wagner of Kelly, at the First Baptist Church in Prentiss, Miss., on August 31. The bride, a senior at the College, was a member of Pi Kappa Sigma sorority, and the groom attended Northwestern State also, where he received his aviation instructor's license. The young couple will be at home in Silver Creek, Mississippi.

Judge and Mrs. L. Paul Stephens of Coushatta have announced the marriage of their daughter, Laurie Paul, to William Royce Matkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Burton Matkin of Ft. Worth, Texas, on September 6 at Tyler, Texas. The young couple are living in Tyler.

Miss Louise Rinehart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louie F. Rinehart of West Monroe, was married to Mr. Roy Cleveland Brooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brooks, also of West Monroe, on June 28. The bride was teaching in Lake Charles prior to the marriage.

The wedding of Miss Annette Hays, daughter of Mrs. Harry Taylor of De Ridder, and Mr. Ray Hargis, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hargis, Jr., of Natchitoches, was solemnized at the home of the groom's aunt, Mrs. M. B. Castle of Vivian. The young couple will make their home in Bryan, Texas, until Mr. Hargis completes his work at Texas A. & M.

Miss Susie Catherine Adams, daughter of J. H. Adams and the late Mrs. Ellen Adams of Coushatta, became the bride of William Cecil Truett, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James A. Truett of Dallas, Texas, recently. They are making their home in Denver, Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Howard of Pleasanton, Texas, have announced the mar-

riage of their daughter, Bonnie, to William Thomas Barber, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Barber of Homer, in the First Baptist Church at Homer on June 3. The young couple are residing in Natchitoches while the groom continues his studies in the College.

Miss Regina Pearl Coats of Shreveport, formerly of Monroe, became the bride of Richard Farge Fitzgerald, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Fitzgerald of Shreveport, in the chapel of St. Mark's Episcopal Church on June 27. The bride is the daughter of Mr. Orbin Collin Coats and the late Mrs. Coats of Delhi.

Miss Peggie Jean Holtsclaw, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Holtsclaw of Shreveport, and Gerald Stanley Dudley, Ensign, U. S. Naval Reserve, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar E. Dudley of Washington, D. C., formerly of Shreveport, were married in St. Mark's Episcopal Church on July 19. The bride was a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority on the campus. They will reside in Baton Rouge, where the groom is a student at Louisiana State University.

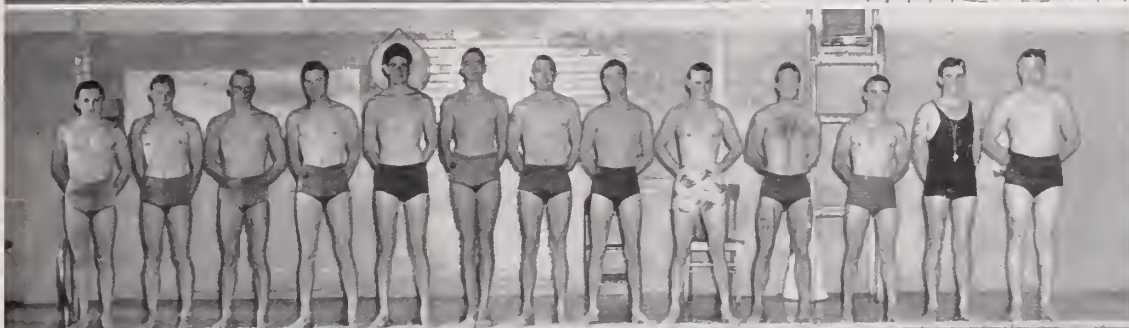
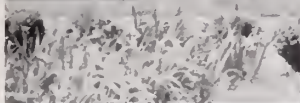
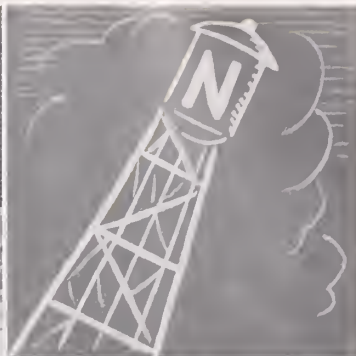
Mr. and Mrs. Adolph M. Brouillette of Pineville have announced the wedding of their daughter, Gwendolyn Mae, to Carroll Louie Webb, son of Mrs. James Edward Webb and the late Mr. Webb of Robeline, at the First Baptist Church in Pineville in August. The young couple, both students at the College, are continuing their studies on the campus.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Latsha of Shreveport have announced the marriage of their granddaughter, Miss Bettie McBrayer, to B. L. Massingill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Massingill of Coushatta, on June 14, at Caddo Heights Baptist Church, Shreveport. The young couple will reside in Lake Charles.

Mrs. Granville Semes Hammond of Baton Rouge has announced the marriage of her daughter, Kathryn Yearwood, to Olen Dean Tyler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Devoe Tyler of Zwolle, on April 11, in the First Methodist Church at Pleasant Hill. Mr. Tyler, a former student of the College, is teaching in Sabine Parish.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Adrien Donaldson of Reserve have announced the marriage of their daughter, Edna Mae, to Mr. Norman Joseph Jacob on April 23 at St. Peter's Church in Reserve.

Pictured on the opposite page, reading from top to bottom, is the National Red Cross Aquatic School held on the campus this summer. This was the largest group enrolled for the Aquatic School since its inauguration. In the next group, four of the swimming team are shown poised for the take-off in the 100-yard dash. Standing alongside the edge of the pool are a group of men swimmers of the Aquatic Club on the campus. At the bottom of the page are pictured the members of the Aquatic Club seated in a circle.



Future Alumni



Beverly and Don Dark

Beverly Ann Dark and Don Dark, Jr., lovely young children of Mr. and Mrs. Don F. Dark of Winnfield. These children are pictured at three and one-half and two years of age, respectively. The mother is the former Sadie Maggio, A.B. '42.

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Janelle Bramlett

Janelle Bramlett, one-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David A. Bramlett of 1832½ Line Avenue, Shreveport. Mr. Bramlett graduated in 1946 after returning from five years' service in the army, and Mrs. Bramlett, the former Sheila Caldwell, received her degree in 1942.

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Don Mims, Jr.

Don Mims, Jr., son of Mr. Don Mims, '41, and Adeline Hyams Mims, B.S. '41, pictured at the age of four months. Little Don was born on September 24, 1946. His parents reside in Natchitoches.

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Karen Nell Cuny

Karen Nell Cuny, six and one-half months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Cuny of Winnsboro. The mother is the former Ruth Sisk, graduate of 1943.

Twelve



M. R. Roberson, Jr.

M. R. Roberson, Jr., on his second birthday. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Roberson, 2509 Greenwood Road, Shreveport. The mother is the former Theo Colvin, A.B. '31.



Tommie Wayne Welch

Tommie Wayne Welch, two and one-half year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Welch of 411-7th Street, Orange, Texas. Mrs. Welch is the former Eloise McGinty, '37.



Mary Susan Tatum

Miss Mary Susan Tatum at four and one-half months of age. She was born December 14, 1946. Her parents are Mr. Carl D. Tatum and Elsie Dills Tatum, A.B. '41, who are living at 3482½ Beverly, Shreveport.

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Duncan Carter and Robert Crawford

Duncan Carter, six years of age (left) and Robert Crawford, five years old, were caught together by the camera. Duncan is the son of the former Emily Fisher, A.B. '36, and Arthur L. Carter, B.S. '36, who reside in Baton Rouge, where Mr. Carter is a C.P.A. Robert Crawford is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard F. Crawford ("Dick" Crawford '31) who live in Morrows. The Crawfords have another son, Foster, who is eleven years old.

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Mrs. Warren G. Preble and son—Warren Rudolph

Mrs. Warren G. Preble, the former Marie Louise Spoerri, A.B. '41, and young Warren Rudolph Preble at the age of seven months, of St. Bernard. She was formerly teacher and principal of schools in St. Bernard Parish.

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Roy "Sandy" Sanders, Jr.

Roy "Sandy" Sanders, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sanders of Morrows, La. Mrs. Sanders is the former Elaine Fisher, A.B. '41, now teaching at Palmetto.



Bonney Browne LaCour

Bonney Browne LaCour, two and one-half year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmo LaCour, Jr., of 346 East Drive, Baton Rouge. Mrs. LaCour is the former Carrie Bonney Newell, A.B. '36.



Glenda Ann Smith

Glenda Ann Smith, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glendon L. Smith of Maplewood. Mrs. Smith is the former Dorothy Cleveland, A.B. '43, a member of the faculty of Glenmora High School until recently.



Marjorie Jane Arthur

Marjorie Jane Arthur, the attractive young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Allen Arthur (Marjorie Mays, '41). Mr. and Mrs. Arthur are living at 2103 Jones Street, Wichita Falls, Texas.

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Wayne E. Bobbitt

Wayne Edward Bobbitt at eight months, son of Mr. and Mrs. Julian E. Bobbitt, 4450 Overton Drive, Shreveport. Wayne's mother is the former Alna Abington, and both her mother and father were students at the College in 1941.

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Elizabeth Redditt

Elizabeth Redditt, pictured here at nine months of age. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Redditt, Sr., (Frances Drake, B.S. '43) of St. Joseph. Mrs. Redditt is teaching home economics in the Jos. M. Davidson High School in her home town.



Frances Lenora Dampier

Frances Lenora Dampier, one-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel B. Dampier of Trout. The mother is the former Mary McVey, '41.



Cheryl Lynn Hillman

Cheryl Lynn, the young daughter of Lt. Comdr. Dudley W. Hillman, B.S. '39, and Dorothy Braud Hillman, A.B. '40, of Lockport. Lt. Comdr. Hillman is in Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allison (Elizabeth Brock, '42) are the proud parents of a daughter, Betty Jo, born in May of this year. Mr. and Mrs. Allison are residing in Graham, Texas.

A fine young son, John Clinton Jackson, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Jackson at Monroe on June 17. Mrs. Jackson is the former Isabel Page, A. B. '37, and Mr. Jackson, A. B. '36, is principal of Hall Summit High School.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Webb Smith (Jimmie Straughan, B. S. '40) are the proud parents of a daughter, Emily Jane. The young lady arrived on April 27. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are living in Colfax.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Mitchell (Kathryn Henry, A.B. '43) have a baby daughter, Beverly Kay, born February 22. They reside at 1126 King's Highway, Dallas, Texas.

A son, Carl Eston Singletary, Jr., arrived on August 7 at Lake Charles Hospital to brighten the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Eston Singletary. The mother is the former A'Dair Ragan, B. S. '39. The happy parents make their home in Sulphur.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph McFarland of 1711 Bryn Mawr, Alexandria, are the proud parents of a son, William Joseph, born August 31. The mother is the former Dorothy Brock, B. S. '45, and the father received his degree in the fall semester, 1946.

Mr. and Mrs. Zolon Stiles are the proud parents of a son, Lawrence Ray, born on August 9. Mr. Stiles received his degree this summer and is assistant coach and member of the faculty of Fair Park High School, Shreveport.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Tarter are happy to announce the arrival of a son, Samuel Robert, on April 26. Mrs. Tarter is the former Vera Johnson, A. B. '41. The happy parents live in Dry Prong.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Greer of Shreveport have a son, Ronald Gerald, born July, 1946. Mrs. Greer is the former Norma Etheridge, '42.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Willett (Vivian Rogers, '41) have a daughter, Sandra Kay, born in August, 1946. Mr. and Mrs. Willett live in Shreveport.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nunnally have a daughter, Linda Earle, born on Christmas day, 1946. Mr. Nunnally last attended the College in 1941 and resides in Shreveport.

We'll Be Seeing You

AT

L. T. A. Convention in Alexandria

OPEN HOUSE

Coffee will be served all day at Alumni Headquarters
Room 260—Bolton High School
Tuesday, November 25

Why Purple and White?

Yea, Purple—Yea, White!
Yea, Demons—Fight! Fight! Fight!

This is truly a familiar sound at any intercollegiate contest when the Demons are striving to make those extra points that determine whether they shall win or lose the game, be it football, basketball or any other intercollegiate sport. Such contests are always colorful affairs where the decorations of purple and white flutter in the breeze or hang from goal posts, the stands, or any other place suitable for decoration. The uniforms of the players are purple and white, and scattered throughout the crowd are many former lettermen proudly wearing the purple sweater with the white "N." The band, with its drum major and majorettes, the Demonettes, and the Purple Jackets, all wearing costumes gaily decorated in the colors of purple and white, proudly proclaim their identity with the College at all functions in which they participate. Purple and White, symbolic of the old Louisiana State Normal School, The Louisiana State Normal College, and now Northwestern State College of Louisiana, has identified us throughout most of our history, and no doubt shall continue to do so indefinitely—colors of which we are proud and of which we shall continue to be proud.

How did these colors originate and when did they become recognized as the official colors of the College? Have you ever wondered about them, or have you done like the rest of us, just accepted them with never a thought of their origin or history?

As a result of our effort to get the origin of the adoption of purple and white as the colors of our school, we wish to give you the story as told by Mrs. May G. Smith Sanders, graduate of the class of 1893, who now lives in Baton Rouge. If any of the earlier graduates of old "Normal" have a different story, we should like to have it. This is Mrs. Sanders' story of the purple and white.

During the presidency of Mr. Thomas Duckett Boyd, later president of L.S.U., Mr. R. L. Himes of Pennsylvania was

employed as a member of the faculty. Under his guidance and inspiration the first literary society, the Seekers After Knowledge, was organized in 1890. The colors of the S.A.K. were gold and white. Since there was obviously a need of another literary society to furnish competition and rivalry, a second society was organized in 1892, the Eclectic Literary Society, whose colors were gold and purple. Immediately after the organization of E.L.S., contests were held in oratory, declamation, music, and parliamentary law drill. A contest was held annually in connection with the spring commencement exercises. The joint celebration and contest brought about the acceptance of the white from the colors of S.A.K. and the purple from the colors of E.L.S. as the color scheme to be used. Thus PURPLE AND WHITE became unofficially the colors of the College and, as time passed, were accepted as the official colors of the institution.

Demons Meet Centenary In Homecoming Nov. 15

With spirit running high among the students and the football squad, all are eagerly anticipating the annual homecoming game on November 15, when the Demons clash with the Centenary Gentlemen of Shreveport on the home gridiron at 2:30 in the afternoon. The homecoming game, with returning alumni here from all over the country, is always a colorful affair. Members of the "N Club" are honored on this occasion, and a special section of the grandstand is being reserved for them and members of their families. A barbecue is also planned for them at the noon hour. Plans being formulated for homecoming this year by the committee indicate that this will be the biggest and best in many years, and it should be a gala day.

The program outlined, according to Mr. B. B. Boyd, general chairman of the committee, will feature open house in the "N Club" room, Coffee and Registration in Varnado Hall, followed by a mammoth parade at 10:30 in the morning. The parade will feature a large float carrying the queen and her

maids, floats from student, civic, business, and professional organizations, the College band and visiting high school bands, all led by a color guard of the local V.F.W. post at the College, featuring the new College Flag just recently designed. Following the bands and the floats will be the Demonettes, a newly organized pep squad consisting of sixty co-eds, and the entire student body.

Just preceding the game, President Gibson of Northwestern and President Mickle of Centenary will bring greetings and a hearty welcome to the 7,000 or more expected for the day. At the half-time period, the Northwestern State Band and all the visiting high school bands will assemble on the gridiron for a colorful demonstration, assisted by the Centenary band and the Demonettes.

In the afternoon the sororities and fraternities will hold open house for returning members of their organizations, and in the evening in the Student Center will be held the grand ball, to which are invited all students, alumni, former students, "N Club" members, and members of the Centenary football team. Music will be furnished by the College swing orchestra, the Demonaires.

The Demon squad is a study in balance between youth and experience. At the beginning of the season the roster of players consisted of 34 veterans, 10 of whom are married. By academic classification there are 8 seniors, 13 juniors, 20 sophomores, and 9 freshmen. Starting line-ups are constantly being changed by the coaches in an effort to field the strongest combinations possible. The two-team system, with frequent substitutions in each, has placed the weight of experience in one team and the fire and enthusiasm of younger men in the other.

Boasting an all-Louisiana squad, the Demons have two brother-combinations. They are Dave and James White of Bastrop, and Arthur and James Lancaster of Ferriday. There are three players named White on the squad—Dave, James, and Phillip. Phillip White hails from Alexandria. There are also two Johnsons, Harvey and Robert, of Shreveport, and two Wilsons, Austin Wilson from Ferriday and Robert Wilson from Natchitoches. David White, incidentally, is called on for the kicking of extra points after touchdowns, and has converted seven of eight attempts thus far.

The Demons lost their first two scheduled games to University of Arkansas and East Texas Teachers. They broke into the win column with victories over Louisiana College and Southeastern Louisiana College by scores of 47-7 and 14-12, respectively.

The Centenary Gentlemen, under the tutelage of Coach Jesse Thompson, are playing for the first time since the war. Thus far this season, they have been unable to break into the win column but are showing signs of constant improvement, and should be ready for a real tussle with the Demons on homecoming day.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

As submitted by Audit of 9-17-47

Assets

Current:

Cash in Bank.....		\$2,355.90
Stocks and Bonds:		
Progressive Mutual Building		
& Loan Company.....	\$ 1,300.00	
First Federal Savings and		
Loan Association.....	3,740.20	
United States Treasury Bonds.....	6,500.00	11,540.20

Notes Receivable.....	9,044.09	\$22,940.19
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Fixed Assets:

Furniture and Fixtures.....	\$ 1,150.00	
George Williamson Museum.....	25,000.00	26,150.00

Other Funds:

Annie Laurie Pujos Scholarship Fund.....		4,004.45
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TOTAL		\$53,091.64
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Liabilities

Current:

Annie Laurie Pujos Scholarship Fund:		
Cash for current distribution.....	\$ 130.00	
Endowment Securities.....	4,004.45	\$ 4,134.45

Due on Loans in Process.....	220.00	\$ 4,354.45
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Surplus		48,740.19
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS.....		\$53,094.64
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DEMONS' BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

1947-1948 SEASON

December—

10: East Texas Baptist College.....	Here
15: Oklahoma City University.....	There
16: Oklahoma City University.....	There
19: Barksdale Field	There

January—

3: Springhill College	There
5: Loyola University	There
7: Barksdale Field	Here
8: Louisiana College	There
10: Southwestern La. Institute.....	Here
13: Centenary College.....	There
17: Southwestern La. College.....	Here
26: Centenary College.....	Here
28: Oklahoma City University.....	Here
31: Louisiana Tech.....	Here

February—

3: Miss. Delta State Teachers.....	There
6: Louisiana College	Here
7: East Texas Baptist College.....	There
11: Miss. Delta State Teachers.....	Here
13: Southeastern La. College.....	There
16: Louisiana Tech	There
19: Southwestern La. Inst.....	There

(Other games are pending and may be scheduled before the season opens.)

Northwestern Sponsors Fine All-Round Aquatic Program

The Northwestern State College is taking full advantage of the fact that it has one of the finest indoor natatoriums in the country. Some of the activities which the water program now include are (1) an annual National Aquatic School sponsored jointly each summer by the American Red Cross and Northwestern State College; (2) the College Aquatic Club, an organization of more than fifty young men and women swimmers who meet weekly; (3) a varsity swimming team which was organized for the first time in 1947; (4) complete curricula and recreational programs of swimming.

American Red Cross awarded one of its annual National Aquatic Schools to the Northwestern State College campus in 1941. Since that time, with only one break, the schools have continued successfully to bring in many men and women swimmers from all of the country for advanced instruction in aquatics. During the summer of 1947, 132 men and women composed the student body of the National Aquatic School on the campus, setting a new record in attend-

ance. These persons represented nine states. Swimming, diving, life-saving, boating, canoeing, first aid, and safety education are the subjects taught at the Aquatic Schools.

The college Aquatic Club was organized in 1939 shortly after the completion of the Natatorium. Its purpose is to sponsor participation in aquatic sports among men and women students and to interpret to the student body and to the public the worthwhileness of aquatic sports. During the 1947 spring and summer sessions, the Aquatic Club sponsored two shows—one in Shreveport and one in Mansfield. The College Modern Dance group under Miss Ruth Price, and the orchestra under Mr. John Shenaut combined in May, 1947, with the Aquatic Club to stage a program in Shreveport which was witnessed by between four and five thousand persons. The groups have been invited to make an annual affair of the Shreveport program. More than 100 persons participated in the show.

Another varsity sport has been added at Northwestern State College. At its

last meeting in September, 1947, the Athletic Council voted unanimously to adopt swimming as an intercollegiate sport. During the spring and summer of 1947, a varsity squad was formed, and it participated in a number of A.A.U. meets. One intercollegiate exchange was held with Centenary. Several fine swimmers were developed—Bill Stovall set three new records during the competition. He broke a Senior S.A.A.U. record in the 100-yard backstroke, which had stood for eleven years.

Swimming is a Physical Education activity required of all men and women students. Very few persons are permitted to graduate without at least reasonable competence in swimming. The Natatorium also receives heavy use for recreational swimming periods which are scheduled daily for the College students and staff.

All in all, the College aquatic program has grown rapidly and is fast becoming one of the most comprehensive College programs in water sports. It is a far cry from the old board-wall enclosed swimming pool known to many former grads of the old "Normal."



Dr. E. V. Hollis



Dr. Ray L. Hamon

Consultants Meet With Planning Committee

The Planning Committee of the College was fortunate to have as consultants in its recent deliberations, Dr. E. V. Hollis, recognized authority on organizational and administrative affairs of institutions of higher learning, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C., and Dr. Ray L. Hamon, Chief, School Housing Section, U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C.

Dr. Hollis met with the Committee on October 13-15 as consultant on setting up the aims and objectives of the College and on outlining the administrative organization of the College. Prior to the arrival of Dr. Hollis, the Planning Committee had been divided into six sub-committees for the purpose of making individual reports on the three phases of the immediate purpose of the Planning Committee. These purposes were to give—

1. A statement of aims and objectives of the College
2. A statement on administrative organization
3. A recommendation for additional plant facilities

These reports were submitted by the sub-committees for study by the committee as a whole.

Dr. Ray L. Hamon, who was present October 20-22, acted as consultant with the committee with particular attention to additional facilities and their location on the campus.

The recommendations of these two recognized authorities in the study being made will be of much value to the Planning Committee. They were brought to the campus by invitation of President Gibson.

The immediate objective of the committee has been to choose the locations of buildings to be constructed out of the last legislative appropriations for

that purpose, and to determine just where future buildings in the expansion of the plant facilities of the College shall be placed.

Present plans call for the removal of the old dairy from its present site on the campus and the construction of a new dairy at a spot more removed from the campus proper. This will permit the use of all the area west of the Dining Hall for future growth. The topography of the land is more favorable for expansion in this general direction than in any other; however, all sites will be given careful study before any buildings are constructed.

Cupid's Doings—

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Miss Valerie Adele Bendix, B.S. '47, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Bendix, 5418 Eads Street, New Orleans, and Elmo Kenneth Black, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Black of West Allis, Wisconsin, were married July 30. They are making their home in West Allis, Wis.

Miss Lou May Pratt, B.S. '45, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Joshua Bennett Pratt of Natchitoches, and Eddie Glen Johnson, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Glen Johnson of Shreveport, were married October 18 at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Vince S. Brennan, of Shreveport. Mrs. Johnson was a member of Pi Kappa Sigma and Kappa Delta Pi, honor fraternities, in College. After graduation from Northwestern State, she completed the work in Medical Technology at University of Texas Medical School, Galveston, and is employed as technician at Tri-State Sanitarium in Shreveport. The young couple will reside in Shreveport.

46 Players Answer Prather's Cage Call

The 1947-48 edition of the Demon basketball squad began practice Monday, October 27, in preparation for a season which has 21 games scheduled at the present time.

The first game of the season is with Texas Baptist College on December 10 in the Demon gymnasium.

Forty-six men have reported for practice, which occurs daily from 7 to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. In the near future the varsity squad will be reduced to not less than 25 men. Those men who do not make the varsity squad will be given the opportunity to form the "B" team, which will be coached by Jim Shultz.

Some of the lettermen on Coach H. Lee Prather's squad last season have reported back for work this year. These include Bob Dorcheus, forward; Frank Lamkin, guard; "Slim" McConathy, guard; Wallace Prather, guard; Claude Stoutamire, forward; and Ray Scott, forward.

This year's team will have to hustle to better the record made by last season's Demons, who won 13 games and lost three during the regular season. They also tied Louisiana Tech and S.L.I. for the L.I.C. crown, and were this section's representative to the S.I.A.A. tournament, where they placed two men on the All-S.I.A.A. team, Stoutamire and Richie.

With Bernard "Tussie" Waggoner, former Northwestern cager, back plugging for a starting berth at center, four of the last season's starters back, and a number of other promising men, the prospects for a winning season are fairly good.

Referees to Review Basketball Rules

Two five-day basketball officiating courses will be offered by Northwestern State College this year, one this semester and one after Christmas.

Officiating course number one will begin December 1 and will continue from 3:15 to 5:15 daily for five days. This course was offered here last year, when 35 men took the course.

By taking and passing the written examination for the current year with a score that at least equals the minimum requirement for that classification, a basketball official may renew his rating card with the same classification held the previous year. Officials are rated in three classes—A, AA, and AAA.

A rating sheet including the names and ratings of all qualified officials will be distributed in the area served by the College, and many of the schools are expected to draw from this supply of badly needed cage-game officials.

Artists Series Program

The Artists Series Committee has arranged a varied and delightful program for the year 1947-1948. For the benefit of those who wish to drive in for these features to be presented in the Fine Arts Auditorium, we list them and the date of performance. (All performances at 8:15 P.M. on the date given.)

SEASON 1947-1948

October 21 - - - - Die Fledermaus (The Bat)

"The Bat," comic opera with entrancing music by Johann Strauss, is the same hit show that ran for two years on Broadway under the name of "Rosalinda." It will be sung entirely in English and in modernized, streamlined form. It makes use of a narrator and four voices. "The Bat," a comedy of intrigue by a group of practical jokers, is laid in Vienna around 1870. This gives an opportunity for the introduction of much of the great Strauss' Viennese waltz music.

October 31 - - American Serenade with Morton Gould, Mimi Benzell and Wilbur Evans

Morton Gould and his orchestra of at least forty of the best New York musicians will present an evening of all-American music; many of the numbers they have recorded for Columbia Records. Two well known vocal soloists will appear with the orchestra. Mimi Benzell is a lovely young coloratura soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Company. Wilbur Evans, baritone, star of radio and concert hall from New York to California, has had several albums issued by Decca. It will be an evening long remembered by the music lovers of this community.

November 21 - - - - Anthony Palazzo, tenor

From New York's "Little Italy," Anthony Palazzo has emerged as one of today's foremost singers of songs of the people. He is equally at home in operatic roles or Neapolitan love songs. Released about a year ago from the army after three years' interruption of his career, he has been acclaimed by the critics for the quality of his voice and his ability to use it. Don't miss hearing him.

December 8 - - - Page-Stone Ballet Company

The co-directors of this ballet company, Ruth Page and Bently Stone, are well known to lovers of the ballet. Each has both a classical and a modern background of training. They bring with them a company of twenty people from the Chicago Grand Opera Ballet.

February 2 - - - - - Sigurd Rascher

Sigurd Rascher, young Scandinavian from the Royal Conservatory of Denmark, is at present making a European concert and recording tour. He will return to this country about the end of this year. Rascher plays a saxophone as you never heard it played before. He has appeared as soloist with many of the best known symphony orchestras of the country. He is the only player in the world who has extended the range of the saxophone from 2½ octaves to 4 octaves, and is rated by many critics as the best performer on this instrument.

March 10 - - - - - Manhattan Quartet

The Manhattan Quartet is an unusual combination of instruments. It is composed of a violin, cello, flute and piano. This unusual combination has been pleasing audiences wherever they have appeared. You will remember with pleasure the recital given us by the violinist of this quartet, James De La Fuente, in the spring of 1945.

April 21 - - - - - Maurice Dumesnil, pianist

Maurice Dumesnil, editor of the Teachers Round Table in Etude Magazine, has appeared in recitals and with orchestras all over Europe and America. He has given hundreds of recitals in South America. Dumesnil is especially well known for his playing of Debussy and modern French music.

SEASON TICKETS

All seats in the auditorium will be reserved. These reserved seat tickets may be obtained at the Box Office in the Fine Arts Auditorium during the afternoons from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. for one week prior to each program. Persons living out of town who desire reserved seat tickets should write Dr. Robert Capel, Northwestern State College, Natchitoches, Louisiana. The price of tickets for programs after October 31 will be \$1.20 per person. All unsold tickets will go on sale at the Box Office at 8:05 p.m. the night of the performance.

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